

EDEN RIFT

2018 VALLIANT CHARDONNAY CENTRAL COAST

Under vine since 1849, the Valliant family farmed Eden Rift's mountain vineyard during the 1930s and 1940s. The Valliant wines pay tribute to their pioneering spirit and reflects a continuum of enological efforts along California's dramatic Central Coast - terrain featuring coastal mountains, situated atop the Pacific Plate, a tectonic plate of lifted seabed, along the Golden State coastline.

VINEYARD NOTES

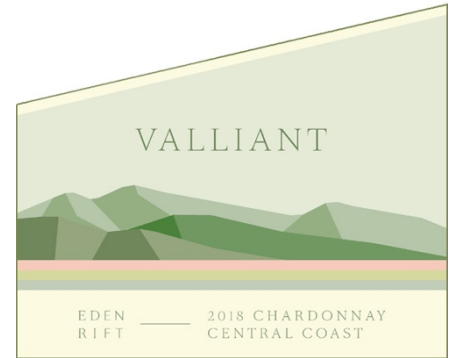
Valliant Chardonnay comes from own-rooted vines planted in 1992 with clones 76 and 4. The vineyard is on a partially terraced slope that has large inclusions of granitic deposits. The blocks are full of different vine ages and a mixture of clones.

CELLAR NOTES

Chardonnay grapes from multiple blocks at Eden Rift were hand-harvested over separate days in September and early October. At the winery, the Chardonnay was whole-cluster pressed with the resulting juice transferred to a stainless steel holding tank for cold-settling. Following 24 hours of settling the juice was racked to French oak barrels for fermentation which occurred with native yeast. The wine was aged "sur-lie" with battonage occurring twice a month through the early spring. After 11 months of barrel aging the wine was bottled on September 10, 2019.

WINEMAKER NOTES

"The 2018 vintage represents a classic Central Coast growing season; whereby the cooling summer fog and winds off the Pacific Ocean allowed for elongated hang-times and flavor development. This Chardonnay showcases the brilliance of Eden Rift's mountain estate. It is bright with notes of exotic citrus, pear tart, lemon zest, orange cream, white flowers and mineral notes. On the palate, it is richly textured yet replete with acidity."



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HARVEST DATA	
Harvest Date	October 8-9, 2018
Blocks	100% estate
Avg. Tons/Acre	1.94
Brix	24-25

WINE DATA	
Composition	100% Chardonnay
Fermentation	100% native & barrel
Aging	100% neutral oak for 10 months
RS	<0.5 g/L
ML	<0.05 g/L
PH	3.48
ALC	14.30%
Bottling Date	September 10, 2019
Release Date	October 15, 2019
Cases Produced	1442
Retail Price	\$25